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**birthday greetings and Shakespear**

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Sat, Aug 13, 2011 at 1:44 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Dear younger Eric:

I thank you for your good wishes on my 100th birthday and I hope I can wish you the same when yours occurs..

You were very kind to mention my writings and I hope to continue them. The ANS made too much fuss over my writing enjoyment.

You mention your pending work on Shakespeare medals. I am wondering when you complete that opus if you are going to mention the fact that he might have been only an unimportant actor and that Edmund Devere, 17th Earl of Oxford, has long been asserted to be the person who wrote the poems and plays. I have devoted some time to that controversy and presume you also have. At least the tokens were struck before the challenge took place. If you want to send me images of your tentative varieties I would appreciate it and would not let anyone use them competitively to your work.

My best to a fellow researcher

an older Eric

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To: EricNumis@aol.com

Fri, Aug 19, 2011 at 10:56 AM

Dear Eric Major -Thank you for your kind message! The Shakespeare controversy is most interesting. I havent delved into it much. Due to my work load I havent worked on the Shakespeare medal catalogue in some time. I'm concentrating on building my collection-well over 100 medals now showing portraits of "the author". On the trademen's tokens I dont plan to sort out the variants as the true "medals" are my main interest. Even now some coins with portraits have been issued and I have been copllecting them. I havent photographed/digitized any of the tokens, sorry! On up-dating my Churchill portrait medal book, it progresses slowly-perhaps 30-40 medals not in my book plus coins from fly speck countries, even a banknote portrait on a Gibraltar 50 Pounds. My chief other numismatic collecting interest now is Renaissance portraits on testones and other coins. I remeber you showing me some of your Venetian osella in the vault. Finallly got a decent Henry VIII testoon after many years search. Thanks again for your interest and your splendid example of first class research-Best Regards -Eric Minor

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